

# Newsletter | January 2014

## Principal's Message:

*"For last year's words belong to last year's language  
And next year's words await another voice." T.S. Eliot*

Happy New Year!

This is a time of renewal and fresh starts, or, if you are a high school student in Calgary, it is exam season. The last day of formal classes is January 17<sup>th</sup>. Throughout the following week (January 20-24), students are welcome to come to school to finish off their semester one coursework under the supervision of their teachers. I encourage all students to apply yourselves to your studies and I wish you luck on your exams!

All Diploma Exams start at 9 am sharp but students should arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the exams. Grade 10 and 11 exams take place either in class before the formal exam schedule or during the exam schedule. Please refer to the exam schedule attached to this newsletter for details. Parents and guardians, if you have any questions regarding how to assist your student in preparing for their exams, please contact the classroom teacher. A big thank you to Nancy for her organization and administration of exams at Alternative and to Ginette for her assistance in the preparation of exam materials.

Semester 2 timetables will be finalized in the next couple of weeks. Please consult your student to confirm his/her course load for semester 2, or contact their mentors. Please note that semester 2 starts on Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

We have spaces available for new students in semester 2 so if you know of a student, who may thrive in our environment, please encourage them to contact the school to sign up for an information session.

I wish you all much happiness in the New Year.

Jana Macdonald

### Important Dates:

**January 13** = Engl. Lang. Arts  
Dip. Exam Part A (AM)

**January 14** = Soc. Studies Dip.  
Exam Part A (AM)

**January 17** = Last day of Classes

**January 20** = Engl. Lang. Arts  
Dip. Exam Part B (AM)

**January 21** = Soc. Studies Dip.  
Exam Part B (AM)

**January 23** = Biology Dip.  
Exam (AM)

**January 24** = Math Dip Exam  
(AM)

**January 30** = Semester 2  
Starts

**January 31** = Non-  
Instructional Day - **NO  
SCHOOL**

**February 13-14** = Teachers'  
Convention - **NO SCHOOL**

**February 17** = Family Day -  
**NO SCHOOL**

## **PARENTS' COUNCIL/ASSOCIATION INVITATION:**

Our next Parents' Council meeting has been scheduled for [Tuesday, February ,](#)

### **DIPLOMA EXAMS SCHEDULE:**

**January 13 = English Language Arts 30-1/2 - {Part I - A.M.)**

**January 14 = Social Studies 30-1/2 - (Part I - A.M.)**

**January 20 = English Language Arts 30-1/2 - (Part II - A.M.)**

**January 21 = Social Studies 30-1/2 - (Part II - A.M.)**

**January 23 = Biology - (A.M.)**

**January 24 = Math 30-1/2 - (A.M.)**

**January 29 = Science 30 (A.M.)**

### **ANNUAL REPORT 2013-2014:**

If you would like to consult our Annual Report from last year, you may want to access the following link to review our document.

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b863/Website/pdfs/publications/2013-14%20Annual%20Report.pdf>

### **ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR:**

To look at our Alternative High School Calendar, please consult our Website....

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b863/Website/pdfs/publications/AHS%20School%20Calendar%202013-2014%20Nov27.pdf>

Day	Date	Subject	Teachers' Supervision	Time (30 minutes have been added)
Mon	Jan 13	ELA – Part A 30-1 and 30-2	Computer Lab: Kelly  Kelly's room: Tanya	9:00 – 12:00
Tues	Jan 14	SOC. STUDIES – Part A 30-1 and 30-2	Computer Lab: Kate  Kelly's room: Lea	9:00 –12:00 (30-1) 9:00 –11:30 (30-2)
<i>Tue/Wed</i>	<i>14 &amp; 15</i>	ELA 20-1, 20-2	In class	Class time
<i>Wed</i>	<i>Jun 15</i>	<i>French A</i>	n/a	<i>9:00-12:00</i>
Wed/Thur	Jan15/16	<i>Soc 10-1/2, 20-1/2</i>	In class	Class time
Thur	Jan 16	Sci 14/24	In class	Class time
Mon	Jan 20	ENGLISH – Part B 30-1 and 30-2	Gym: David	9:00 –12:00
	Jan 20	ELA 10-1/2	Monica's room (Monica)	9:00-11:30
Tues	Jan 21	SOC STUDIES –Part B 30-1 and 30-2	Gym: Monica	9:00 - 11:30
Wed	Jan 22	<i>French B</i>  Sci 10, 20, Bio 20	<i>n/a</i>  Gym: Irene	9:00-11:30
Thur	Jan 23	BIOLOGY 30	Gym: Phil	9:00 – 11:30
Fri	Jan 24	MATH 30-1, 30-2	Gym: Jen A  (David is chief examiner)	9:00 –12:00
Fri	Jan 24	Math 20-1, 20-2 20-3, 10-C, 10-3	Phil's room+ Foods room:  Shelly + Phil/Tanya	9:00-11:30
<i>Mon</i>	<i>Jan 27</i>	<i>Physics 30</i>	<i>Gym:</i>	<i>9:00 –11:30</i>

## Social 30 students are prepping for the diploma!

It's been a great semester with our blended class and the principles of liberalism are strong and living in the hearts of Alti students. Don't be surprised if during your movie time, they throw out a historical reference or want to talk about economics or the environment and resources. We've covered a lot of ground and students have ended the course with a better understanding of what liberalism is and how fragile it can be. We feel confident that this group will thoughtfully and respectfully challenge popular opinion when necessary and engage democratically to have their voice make a meaningful impact. It's been wonderful, David and Jennifer thank you!

David Fettes/Jennifer Tuffs

Social Studies Teachers

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invite

Career and Technology Centre &  
CBe-learn Open House  
23 January, 2014. 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Lord Shaughnessy High School  
2336 – 53 Avenue S.W.  
Calgary, Alberta  
t | 403-243-4500



For More  
Information

Please contact  
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- The formal program will commence at 7:00 p.m. with guest speakers from Apprenticeship Alberta, current students, as well as individuals in industry.
- Teachers from each program will present a brief overview of their program areas.
- Students and parents will have an opportunity to tour the school and
  - explore specific program suites.
  - visit our “genius bars” to gather more information about our online programs

Please join us to learn more about our programs  
and explore our campus



